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COUNTRY	Austria (Soviet Zone)	REPORT
TOPIC	Soviet Troop Transports at St Poelten and Camp Spratzern	25X1
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DATE OBTAINED	DATE PREPARED	19 September 1955
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1. On 22 August 1955, heavy shipments of billeting and other equipment from the barracks west of Schlesstatting and from Camp Spratzern were observed at St Poelten railroad station. The following troop transport was ready for departure at 1950:10 T-34 tanks [redacted] 2 T-34 chassis, 2 sidecar motorcycles, 4 trucks [redacted] ambulance [redacted] 3 boxcars with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 5 gondola cars with billeting and other equipment. Flatcars were loaded with van-like trucks [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] 25X1
2. On 22 August 1955, paper and rubbish was being burned at Camp Spratzern. At night, 9 T-34 tanks [redacted] and 9 SU-76 guns [redacted] proceeded from the camp to St Poelten railroad station. There they were assembled with 3 boxcars occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 8 other boxcars, flatcars with trucks [redacted] with field kitchen [redacted] into one troop transport train in the morning of 23 August 1955. The Austrian-Soviet Association bade farewell to the personnel leaving with this troop transport train which left at 1815 toward Vienna. Four colonels wearing black-bordered red epaulets, 3 colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets, an honor company consisting of 80 soldiers with a military band headed by a colonel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia attended the farewell. They had arrived at the station with the following vehicles:
 Jeep [redacted] 25X1
 Sedan [redacted]
 Truck [redacted] 25X1
 Van-like truck [redacted] with troupe of Red Army 25X1
 Vehicle with loudspeaker [redacted] 25X1
3. [redacted] the evacuation of St Poelten was begun by the transfer Soviet troops with 20 T-34 tanks on 21 August 1955. 25X1
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